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TAGS: MASS, SA

SUBJ: KING APPROVES PURCHASE IMPROVED HAWK SYSTEM

REF: JIDDA 0975

1. DEFENSE MINISTER PRINCE SULTAN INFORMED ME MARCH 12 THAT KING FAISAL HAD APPROVED IN PRINCIPLE SAUDI ARABIAN PURCHASE OF MODIFIED HAWK MISSILE SYSTEM. I SAID I WAS PLEASED TO HEAR THAT SAG HAD DECIDED ON SOUND STEP FOR IMPROVEMENT OF ITS DEFENSES, ONE WHICH USG THOROUGHLY APPROVED.

2. SULTAN ASKED WHETHER HE SHOULD COMMUNICATE THIS DECISION IN WRITING TO USG OR TO RAYTHEON DIRECTLY. I SAID I THOUGHT HE COULD WRITE RAYTHEON, AND SULTAN SAID HE WOULD DO SO. I KNEW COMPANY WOULD BE PREPARED ON SHORT NOTICE TO MOVE AHEAD WITH DISCUSSIONS OR NEGOTIATIONS IN WHATEVER MANNER HIS HIGHNESS MIGHT DESIRE. SULTAN NOTED THAT HIS SON, LIEUTENANT PRINCE KHALID BIN SULTAN AND ANOTHER SAUDI OFFICER ARE NOW IN U. S. LOOKING OVER HAWK INSTALLATIONS UNDER RAYTHEON AUSPICES.

3. LOCAL RAYTHEON MANAGER AND DEPUTY IN BEIRUT THROUGH MARCH 14; EMBASSY WILL INFORM UPON THEIR RETURN.

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